

HK ch

MEMORANDUM

34254

~~SECRET~~

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

ACTION

November 2, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. KISSINGER

FROM: JOHN H. HOLDRIDGE

SUBJECT: Request from Han Su-yin for Appointment with You

I received a telephone call on November 1 from David Ginsberg, who says he knows you, in which Ginsberg passed on the information that pro-Peking authoress Han Su-yin has "something unofficial to transmit of importance" and wants to see you. Ginsberg received this word from an acquaintance named Barth who talked to Han Su-yin in Paris last week, and heard from her that what she wants to pass on concerns U.S.-Peking relations. She alleges that she has good connections in high places in the PRC.

25X1

At Ginsberg's request I said I would inform you of this request. I doubt that Han Su-yin has anything of value to give you, and knowing something of the lady's techniques (I had occasional contacts with her in Singapore when I was stationed there) I suspect that what she wants is simply to further the greater glory of Han Su-yin.

25X1

25X1

She may have pieced together something about internal PRC developments from speculation in the Western press, and this could be the same kind of hash which she would offer to you.

Recommendation:

That you agree to see Han Su-yin.

Approve HK Disapprove _____

That you authorize me to see Han Su-yin on your behalf.

Approve HK Disapprove HK

That I turn the whole thing off.

NSS/NSC Review Completed.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

~~SECRET~~